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AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO DECEMBER 11, 2006 FINAL OFFICE ACTION

MS AF Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

This Amendment is being submitted in response to the Office action dated December 11, 2006. Applicants hereby request a one-month extension of time to respond to the final Office action. This Amendment is therefore timely filed within the extended period of response. This response is accompanied by a Petition for a One-Month Extension of Time and the requisite petition fee in the amount of \$120.00 charged to the undersigned's deposit account. Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the application in view of the following amendments and remarks.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 7 of this paper.

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